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Dear Sir:

Applicant thanks the formalities Examiner for her Notice of Non-compliant Amendment, dated April 6, 2006. In response thereto, Applicant requests that the below claims be entered, having status identifiers in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121: